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In re Application of: Ihme et al.
 Application No. 10/729,797
 Filed: December 5, 2003
 For: PRINTING PRESS DRYER HAVING AN EXCIMER RADIANT HEATER

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated October 13, 2005, please amend the above entitled application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of his paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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